

# WRITE-WAY Prison Ministries, Inc.

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## BLESSINGS FROM PRISON

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*We receive from six to twenty letters every day. And at least two or three are always passionate, clear testimonies to their Lord and Savior. In the Navpress series, Beginning a New Life, the student is encouraged to give their testimony: *Before I trusted Christ; How I trusted Christ; and Since I trusted Christ.* Read, rejoice, and regain the joy of your first Love.*

### **I POISONED THE STREETS**

“I lived in darkness. I lived a life of misery and chaos, and I was a soldier of war. I used and manipulated just about everyone. I poisoned the streets with drugs and destroyed many innocent lives. And in return, the Bible says in **Galatians 6:7-8** that whatever one sows, that he will also reap. Flesh to flesh and spirit to spirit.

“I trusted Christ by falling to my knees, tears falling from my eyes, but more from my broken soul, raising my hands to the heavens and begging for God’s mercy, grace, and love in the forgiveness of my sin. I prayed the sinner’s prayer and believed that Christ died for me, that everything He suffered He did willingly for me, you, and everyone in this world. In **John 10:1-14** it talks about Jesus being the Good Shepherd, about the enemy that comes to steal, kill, and destroy. Jesus will not leave, but will guide and protect us, lay down His life for us, but of His own will, not being forced. He sacrificed Himself and was raised to the right hand of God to intercede for us.

“I am a baby in Christ and still have so much to learn. But I know that I am blessed in the knowledge that I have been forgiven of my sins, I am God’s son, Jesus is my Savior and Brother. And if nothing else, I can rest assured through faith that I have eternal life through Christ Jesus and can do so much more through Christ Jesus who strengthens me. Amen!” **Leo**

### **HOW DANGEROUS SINNING WAS**

“I used to try to do everything my way by making my own decisions. I didn’t think about how dangerous sinning was. I didn’t look at what sinning was doing to me. **Romans 6:20-22** says, ‘In the past you were slaves to sin and you did not even think about doing right. You did evil things and now you are ashamed of what you did. Did those things help you? No, they only brought death. But now you are free from sin. You have become slaves of God and the result is that you live only for God. This will bring you eternal life.’

“God has blessed me in so many ways. Ever since I accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior, He has been providing everything I need in this prison, even when I do not have any money. My health has been good. I’m able to get around as I please. I just trust my Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus, in every situation that comes up. **Proverbs 16:20** says, ‘Good things happen to those who learn from their experiences and the Lord blesses those who trust Him.’

“Ever since I trusted Jesus I have been growing in spiritual wisdom, to recognize when God’s Holy Spirit is speaking to my heart. Jesus has set a willing spirit, a willing mind for His word on me, a hunger that is always satisfied. In **John 6:35** Jesus said to them, ‘I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to me shall never hunger and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.’ Blessed be the Lord!” **Roger**

### **OUR MISSION**

To introduce Jesus Christ to each incarcerated person in TX, LA, MS, and NM through a curriculum of English and Spanish Bible correspondence courses that are free, post-paid, and volunteer counseled.

## NO WHERE ELSE TO TURN

“My faith wasn’t my own yet and wouldn’t be for some time. I became two-faced. I was church-going and religious when with my church family, and secular and worldly around everyone else. No man can serve two masters, and when I got old enough to drive and make my own decisions, I chose the world. Until I had my own family, I lived as I saw fit and rarely thought about the church. I trashed my body with drugs and alcohol and made bad decisions concerning someone to marry. Because of pure lust, I got a girl pregnant and thought I would do the ‘right thing’ and get married. But babies don’t make relationships, and after two kids and a lot of heartache, I was divorced. I had tried to come back to church, to have my children raised with a good Christian moral foundation. And I only partly succeeded. I fell back into drugs after my divorce and thought I had lost everything because I had put my family and my job before God in my life. But God wasn’t done teaching me lessons yet. I remarried another drug addict like me and fell deeper into sin, eventually crossing the law and getting into trouble.

“It wasn’t until I was in a place where there was nowhere else to turn – no worldly distractions, no competition for my time, that I was able to hear the voice of God calling me once again from His word, the Bible. Through the Bible and His word and the help of Bible studies, I was able to re-examine myself and my life and truly understand what I am – a sinner deserving condemnation, but being saved by the grace of God through Christ Jesus’ sacrifice and the continuing sanctification by the Holy Spirit.

“I have found new life, new joy, new hope, better peace and the great assurance through renewed faith that I have an eternal home and a new body waiting for me when this life is ended. I am extremely grateful to God because He has blessed me, a sinner, with so many chances with the opportunity to live my life for Him and to shine like a light and as an example for others. I know now things that I’ve newly learned from my studies, and I have asked for forgiveness for my past sins and for God’s help in my new transformation into a faith I call my own – learned and still growing by God and His word.” *Adam*

## BY THE NUMBERS

|                                   | APR 2022            | YTD 2022             |     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----|
| <b>Ministry Statistics</b>        |                     |                      |     |
| Enrolled Students                 | 5,165               | 5,192                | AVG |
| Enrollees - <i>Born To Win</i>    | 426                 | 1,525                |     |
| Professions of Faith              | 9                   | 40                   |     |
| Course Books Mailed               | 3,962               | 14,740               |     |
| Course Exams Completed            | 2,732               | 10,111               |     |
| Graduates 72+ units               | 5                   | 51                   |     |
| <b>Program Gifts and Expenses</b> |                     |                      |     |
| Expenses:                         | \$15,874.44         | \$61,073.41          |     |
| Postage:                          | \$6,007.64          | \$26,768.48          |     |
| Courses:                          | \$3,953.00          | \$18,923.97          |     |
| Staff support:                    | \$1,148.00          | \$3,768.00           |     |
| Qtrly Insurance                   | \$0.00              | \$1,267.00           |     |
| Paper/Envelopes                   | \$2,980.52          | \$4,520.86           |     |
| Other:                            | \$1,785.28          | \$5,824.69           |     |
| Donations:                        | \$9,694.79          | \$48,463.12          |     |
| Acct Dividends                    | \$100.98            | \$1,239.02           |     |
| <b>NET:</b>                       | <b>(\$6,078.67)</b> | <b>(\$11,371.27)</b> |     |

## I’M A LOST SOUL AND NEED HELP

“Thank you for my *Born to Win*. I finished it and sent it back this morning. I loved it and can’t wait for *Men Who Met the King*. God knows that I’m a lost soul and need help. That’s another story! Anyways, thank you for what Write-Way does for us and the time you all spend for us.” *John*

## THAT MY HEART IS CHANGED

“Pray for me – that the good Lord keeps on blessing me; that He keeps on opening my eyes and ears to the messages and secrets revealed in His living word; that my heart is changed to a pure, most forgiving, loving, believing heart; that I accept His word and apply it to my life; and for all the mercy and favor He can give and for a league of angels to go fight my battles so Satan can’t be victorious in his plans to destroy me with the traps and temptations he has set and currently has me trapped in. I’m enjoying the studies.” *Greg*

## WPM Statement of Faith is available upon request.

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